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DIRECTORY.

We are pleased to publish the following directory for the benefit of our citizens and visitors, and to insure correctness the News should be promptly notified when changes occur.

TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.—S. B. Twitchell, C. E. Barker, West, F. J. Russell, Clerk, L. T. Barker, Treasurer, W. W. Hastings, Supt. of Schools, H. H. Hastings, School Committee, Miss Jane Gibson, Z. W. Bartlett, East; N. F. Brown, Town Agent, A. E. Herriek, Collector, H. H. Bean, Auditor, Calvin Bisbee.

MAIL SERVICE.

MAILS CLOSE.
Going East, 8:40 a. m.; 8:15 p. m.
Closed mail for Portland and Boston, 8 p. m.
MAILS ARRIVE.
From East, 10:50 a. m.; 4:50 p. m.
From West, 9:15 a. m.; 3:45 p. m.

CHURCHES.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL, Main street, Rev. W. B. Eldridge, Pastor. Sunday—Prayer meeting, 10 a. m.; Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Junior League, 3 p. m.; Epworth League, 6:45 p. m.; Prayer meeting, 7 p. m. Tuesday—Class meeting, 7:30 p. m. Friday—Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.
UNIVERSALIST, Church street, Rev. F. E. Barton, Pastor. Sunday—Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Y. P. C. U., 7 p. m. Tuesday—Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.

CONGREGATIONAL, Church street, Rev. Arthur Varley, Pastor. Sunday—Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Y. P. C. U., 7 p. m. Tuesday—Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.

UNION CHURCH, West Bethel, supplied by Rev. Arthur Varley and Rev. F. E. Barton. Sunday—Preaching, 2:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 3:30 p. m.

LIBRARY.

Public Library, Broad street. Open Wednesday, from 6 to 8 p. m.; Saturday, 4 to 8 p. m. Over 2000 volumes. Mrs. G. R. Wiley, President; Annie Frye, Secretary; Mrs. O. M. Mason, Treasurer; Mrs. L. T. Barker, Librarian.

FRATERNAL ORDERS.

BETHEL LODGE, No. 97, F. & A. M.—N. E. Richardson, W. M.; W. E. Abbott, S. W.; H. C. Rowe, J. W.; M. W. Chandler, Treas.; D. G. Lovejoy, Sec. Meets second Thursday of each month.

MR. ABRAHAM LODGE, I. O. O. F., No. 31.—A. C. Frost, N. G.; E. S. Kilborn, V. G.; Chas. Mason, Rec. Sec.; C. C. Bryant, F. S.; S. I. French, Treas. Meets Saturday evenings.

SUNSET REBEKAH LODGE, I. O. O. F., No. 64.—Martha A. Gibson, N. G.; Alice J. Farwell, V. G.; Jane H. Gibson, Rec. Sec.; Marcia Hastings, Fin. Sec.; Ellen M. Burbank, Treas. Meets first and third Monday of each month.

BETHEL GRANGE, No. 56.—John F. Howe, Master; Mrs. C. E. Valentine, Lecturer; J. S. Hutchins, Secretary. Meets Saturday afternoons, once in two weeks.

SUBURBAN CO., No. 50, U. O. P. F.—J. C. Billings, Gov.; E. C. Park, Sec.; E. S. Kilborn, Treas. Meets the first and third Monday of each month.

BETHEL LODGE, No. 27, J. O. U. A. M.—F. J. Tyler, C. S.; A. S. Gibson, R. S.; John Yates, F. S.; Harry Jordan, Treas. Meets the second and fourth Tuesday in each month.

Brown Post, No. 84, G. A. R.—Ira Jordan, P. C.; A. M. True, Adj. Meets the first and third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p. m.

Brown Post, W. R. C., No. 36.—Mrs. Arvilla Morgan, Pres.; Mrs. C. S. Little, Sec.; Miss E. E. Burnham, Treas. Meets the first and third Thursday of each month.

Bethel W. C. T. U.—Mrs. O. M. Mason, Pres.; Mrs. Arthur Varley, Vice Pres.; Mrs. F. S. Chandler, Sec.; Mrs. L. T. Barker, Treas. Meets Tuesday, once in two weeks.

CORPORATIONS.

Bethel Savings Bank.—S. B. Twitchell, Pres.; A. E. Herriek, Treas.

Bethel Chair Co.—J. H. Barrows, Pres. Calvin Bisbee, Treas.

Bethel Water Co.—Enoch Foster, Pres. A. E. Herriek, Treas.

Bethel Dairying Co.—W. E. Abbott, Manager.

Riverside Park Association.—C. M. Wormell, Pres.; E. C. Rowe, Treas.

SOCIAL SOCIETIES.

Ladies' Club, Congregational.—Pres., Mrs. A. E. Herriek; Vice Pres., Mrs. Gilbert Tuell; Sec., Miss Mary Tuell; Treas., F. B. Tuell. Meets Thursday afternoon.

Ladies' Circle, Universalist.—Mrs. L. A. Pratt, Pres.; Mrs. G. R. Wiley, Vice Pres.; Mrs. L. B. Hopkins, Sec.; Mrs. E. C. Rowe, Treas. Meets Wednesday afternoon.

Ladies' Church Aid Society, Methodist.—Mrs. H. C. Andrews, Pres.; Mrs. Cyrene Little, Vice Pres.; Mrs. Calvin Bisbee, Treas.; Miss Ethel Morse, Sec.

Columbian Club.—Mrs. A. E. Herriek, Pres.; Miss Annie M. Frye, Sec.; Mrs. T. F. Hastings, Treas.

UNITED ORDER OF GOLDEN CROSS, No. 484.—N. C. J. H. Barrows, W. T. Calvin Bisbee, F. K. R. S. W. Grover, C. of R., F. W. Bisbee.

House for Sale.

Anyone desiring to buy a small house in Bethel village, will do well to call at once on Dr. F. B. Tuell.

The LOCAL NEWS.

Items of Interest Picked Up About Town by the News Man.

E. H. Young was in Portland, Saturday.

L. L. Mason of Portland, has been in town this week.

C. C. Hunt of Augusta, was in town last Saturday.

M. J. Swain of Hanover, was in the village Thursday.

D. A. Edwards of Oxford, visited Col. Edwards last week.

E. C. Park has returned from his business trip to Boston.

Judge A. E. Herriek attended Probate Court yesterday.

H. E. Hutchins of Rumford Point was in town last Thursday.

Mr. Augustus Burbank is very ill at his home on Railroad Street.

Several new members have been taken into the I. O. O. F. lodge recently.

Mr. S. Robertson has been quite ill with lagrippe for the past few days.

Rev. W. B. Eldridge exchanged pulpits with Rev. I. A. Bean of So. Paris, last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson returned from their vacation in Massachusetts, Monday evening.

Miss Ruby Chase of California, who has been visiting Mrs. A. E. Herriek, is now visiting at Blue Hill.

Wilfred Bowler left town last Saturday for Augusta, where he has engaged in the photograph business.

S. Porter Stearns and wife of Paris who have been visiting their daughter, Mrs. E. C. Park, for the past few days, returned home yesterday.

Eben S. Kilborn, J. C. Billings, D. G. Lovejoy and N. E. Richardson were in Norway last Wednesday evening to attend the Chapter meeting.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. Gilbert Tuell, Thursday afternoon at the usual hour. Life and writings of James Russell Lowell will be considered.

After two weeks' absence, Mr. E. A. Wight has returned to Bethel. He finds the mountain air, quiet and rest here, beneficial to his nervous trouble; he will remain until May.

The Ladies' Church Aid Society will meet in the lecture room tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. A picnic supper will be served from 6 to 8 p. m. Price of supper 15 cents.

Ferren Lovejoy and L. B. Hopkins started for the South, yesterday. Mr. Hopkins is to work with Mr. Lovejoy in working the states from Maine to Texas. They expect to be gone until September.

A. L. Meserve, Fred Allen, Harry G. Clark, and Claude Mills of Portland, came to Bethel last Saturday to attend a special meeting of the Masonic lodge. Mr. Mills was given the second and third degrees.

The Columbian Club will meet Friday afternoon with Mrs. L. B. Hopkins, at 2:30 o'clock. Unfavorable weather has greatly interfered with the meetings of late, and as it is necessary to hold a meeting this week, the members are requested to TRY and be present.

The following letter received by Dr. Fernald, may be of interest to owners of cattle:

Bangor, Me., Feb. 20, 1900.

Dr. G. W. FERNALD, D. V. S.
Dear Sir:—I wish to state to you, that I was very much pleased on my recent trip to Bethel, to learn what kind of work you are doing for the farmers up there. The people of Oxford county should congratulate themselves that they have one in their midst who is capable of doing such good work. Tuberculosis is a loathsome disease both to the human and bovine families, and it seems the farmers in that county are wide awake to its importance. It is for the cattle commissioners to say whose tests they will accept, and I will say to you here that we will accept yours every time, for we know that you are correct. We are not sure that every one is.

Respectfully yours,
F. O. BRAL, Pres. Board
Cattle Com's, State of Maine

Miss Olive Wheeler visited her home, Tuesday.

Mrs. Nathaniel Barker is visiting friends in Milford Mass.

Miss Purington returned home from Boston, Monday evening.

The members of the Junior Society of Christian Endeavor were entertained by Mrs. Varley, last Monday evening.

The Federation of Women's Club meets in Garland Chapel on Tuesday, March 27, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U.

Gould's Academy opened yesterday with several new students enrolled. The school is of the usual size despite the fact that several are on the whooping cough list.

R. E. L. Farwell has been confined to his house for several days with lagrippe, but is improved so that he was out yesterday for a short time. Frank Flint has been tending in the store during Mr. Farwell's illness.

We are glad to inform the relatives and friends of Mr. Walton Wight, that he has improved within a few days and his physician, Dr. Hill, suggested he might be dressed and sit up for an hour or two. Mr. Wight has been seriously ill for more than a year with lung trouble.

The W. C. T. U. held a "Neal Dow Anniversary Meeting" at Mrs. Chandler's Tuesday P. M. A sketch of the great leader's life was read by Mrs. Chapman, and reminiscences were given by other members. Mrs. Rand gave an interesting talk along the line of temperance and the condition of the natives of the Caroline Islands.

Friday P. M. at 3 o'clock, the Auxiliaries of the Congregational church will meet at Garland Chapel, and all the ladies of Bethel interested in mission work are most cordially invited. Mrs. F. E. Rand who has labored twenty years in the foreign field, will tell of her work; all who have met Mrs. Rand will be desirous of hearing her, and all interested in the subject of missions, will enjoy a sure treat. Those who have never given the subject special attention, can not fail to be interested.

The stereopticon lecture given at the M. E. church by Rev. I. A. Bean last Saturday evening was very interesting and well attended. The views shown were made from pictures taken by Mr. Bean while at the Epworth League convention at Toronto and on the journey to and from the convention. On Sunday evening a missionary lecture, subject China, was of much interest to a large audience and disclosed many interesting facts. The collection taken was for the benefit of the missionary society of the church.

"Who Caught the Count?"

An entertainment under the auspices of the young people of the Universalist society will be given in Odeon Hall, March 22, with the following program:

Piano Duet.....Edward Mason
Quartette.....Jane Gibson
Recitation.....Edwin Harvey
Solo.....Wallace Goodwin
Recitation.....Misses King and Barton
Piano Duet.....Misses King and Barton
Farce....."Who Caught the Count?"
Solomon Rosenbaum, a Jew peddler.....Elmer Young
Jonathan Greenback, who has "struck it".....William Kendall
Cover Steinberger.....Franklin Leach
Albert Edward, Greenback's son.....Edward Mason
Mahala Greenback, Greenback's wife.....Mrs. Maud Farwell
Victoria Adelaide, Greenback's daughter.....Florence Carter
Riley, the hired girl.....Jane Gibson
Admission, 30c, 25c, and 10c. Tickets on sale at Wiley's drug store.

Notice.

Any who desire to furnish wood for any of the schools, carry scholars for the present year, or clean any of the school houses, should send in their proposals or confer with the Superintendent of Schools at an early date.

H. H. HASTINGS,
Supt. of Schools.

A Father's Grief.

It's just seven weeks ago to-day,
They bore my darling boy away,
And lay him in the dark, cold ground
And raised o'er him a little mound.

That active form once strong and brave
Now lies silent in the grave;
Those toiling hands are laid at rest,
Folded on his peaceful breast.

A wreath of flowers lies on his grave,
Those the Brotherhood had gave,
The emblem of a broken wheel,
To show how deep his loss they feel.

A wreath of ivy, too, is there,
To show his brother housemen's care,
For they knew him true as steel,
And his loss they deeply feel.

But when they bore him from my sight,
All my day was turned to night,
And time doth not assuage my grief
Or give my aching heart relief.

I thought I'd always have him here,
All my future life to cheer;
But to me there's grief and woe,
Where I thought the flowers would grow.

I miss my Edwin every day
Since his loved form was laid away;
But I must bear my load of grief,
Till death shall come to give relief.

FATHER.

March 14, 1900.

Herbert Gilman Foster.

The News has received this week, a tribute to the memory of the late Herbert Gilman Foster, whom many of our readers will remember as a Bethel boy. The following are extracts:

It is not often that a community is called upon to so generally mourn the death of such a promising life. This case is a particularly distressing one. Gen. Foster was in the prime of life. He was surrounded by everything that makes existence bright, pleasant and happy; a devoted wife, three interesting children, and wealth. He was a young man of most enviable character; he was unostentatious and unassuming. A fine example of honest manhood; a good comrade and friend, a dutiful son, a fond husband and indulgent parent, and a highly respected citizen. To personally know the deceased was to note his good qualities and to appreciate his worth in the business and social world.

Herbert Gilman Foster, son of Moses C. and Francis Smith Foster, was born in Bethel, Me., May 18, 1860. He came to this city with his parents in 1874; received his education in the public schools of Bethel and Waterville, graduating from the High school of this city in 1878. At once upon leaving school he went into partnership with his father in the business of contracting and building. The firm of M. G. Foster & Son is well known among the contractors of New England. The deceased was eminently fitted for that business and soon gained a wide reputation in that line.—Waterville Evening Mail.

I wonder how many who read the announcement of the death of Herbert G. Foster, fully realize its full significance to this community. Although a naturally retiring disposition he had the heart of a lion when his sympathies were fully enlisted, and those who knew him best, need not be told of his sterling qualities of head and heart. He possessed the nobility of heart that scorned anything mean or underhand in business or social life. There was also a delightful refinement in his tastes that suggested the artist, and this quality shone out in his gentlemanly deportment to all with whom he came in contact. He loved high, noble things, he enjoyed the companionship of high-minded people and despised and shunned those whose thoughts and acts were debasing. He always showed great respect for the aged, and children were his delight. The engrossing cares of business never were able to wean him from thought and care of his own fireside and those that so dearly loved to gather about him there.

Truly a noble soul has gone hence. May we all be better for having known and loved him.

E. P. MAYO.

Waterville, Aug. 31, 1899.

Special Notice.

E. G. Siggers, patent lawyer, Washington, D. C., whose ad. appears in our columns, desires to notify inventors and others, that every patent procured through his office, receives special mention in the Inventive Age, which is published at the National Capital, has a wide circulation, and is a paper of recognized influence in patent matters. Mr. Siggers has not, however, increased his charges because of the free advertisement of his clients' patents.

Mrs. Frank Merrill and son, Clifford, are visiting at East Andover.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Mehitable Temple, Mother of Capt. R. B. Grover.

The death of Mrs. Mehitable Brown Grover Temple in Brockton, on Friday morning, March 9, at the advanced age of 81 years, removed from life and from a large circle of friends and relatives a most worthy and estimable woman.

Mrs. Temple was a native of Bethel, Me., the daughter of Deacon Robbins Brown, and a sister to Messrs. David F., Josiah and Robbins Brown, Jr.—men who have been prominent in the history of Bethel. When 18 years old she married Eli Grover, one of the large and highly respected family of that name in her native town, and became the mother of four children—Mr. Luman Grover of Boston, lately deceased; Capt. Robbins Brown Grover of Brockton, the widely known manufacturer and proprietor of the Emerson Shoe Stores; Eliza M. Grover, the wife of Dr. C. C. Barker of Meriden, Conn., and Dr. C. W. S. Grover of Brockton.

When the oldest of these children was scarcely 11, the death of Mr. Grover left her a widow, with the responsibility of rearing this growing family unaided by a loving father's care; a difficult and trying position, but one which proved the courage and faithfulness of the mother.

Amid the unwritten history of our land may be found the highest examples of unselfish devotion and true heroism in mothers like her, who, against the tide of adverse circumstances, have brought forward their young brood to the ripe developments of true noble manhood and womanhood. It may be readily and safely believed that such mothers are indeed the true safeguards of the nation that even those who become the idols of the town by reason of some greater victory on land or sea.

After a lapse of several years this brave woman married a second time, becoming the wife of Mr. John Temple and the mother of three more children—John, Mark, and Harlan. The sudden death of Mr. Temple in 1879, left her a second time a widow, and about twenty-one years ago, she removed to this city where she could enjoy the society of her children, and make a home for her younger boys, two of whom, Mark and Harlan, have died since her residence in Brockton.

It has been an especial delight with Capt. Grover to provide his mother with all the comforts of an independent home, and to anticipate the needs of her declining years; and she has been most happy in the enjoyment of these tokens of requited love. These last years of her life have been serene and peaceful, hallowed by the benediction and blessing of heaven, for she died the ripening life of a trustful Christian.

Mrs. Temple's brain and mind were constructed upon a large plan, and with active sympathies, the scope of her thoughts was wide. She retained to almost the very close of life a keen interest in affairs both local and national. She never forgot her native town, and the attachments of early years. Her knowledge of the Scriptures— which she read and re-read many times—was remarkable.

When the fatal shock came and the bodily faculties were failing one by one, her mental grasp remained clear, and was the last to yield. Surrounded by her children her courage was still heroic. Calmly, and without a murmur, she gave them her last words. Her soliloquy for others remained active to the end. She seemed to be forgetful of self. She appreciated the faithful attendance and interest of her physician, Dr. A. L. Beals, and surprised him by sending a message of sympathy to his mother, apparently forgetful of her own condition.

She passed out of life in a triumph of divine grace. When she could no longer see with mortal eyes, she still had light, and repeated in plain, firm tones, "The Lord is my Shepherd." Asked if she were afraid to go, her reply

was: "Why should I be afraid of my Jesus?"

Her children can never forget this closing, beautiful scene of her mortal life. Of all the lessons that mother gave, this, the last, was the greatest and the best.

The burial service, so fitting and appropriate, was conducted by Rev. Dr. Kaufman, pastor of the Methodist church, of which Mrs. Temple was a member, and by the Rev. Dr. Shippen of the Unity church, Capt. Grover's pastor, whose beautiful tribute to her character and worth and estimate of the hope the gospel gives, was full of consolation. The musical selections, so feelingly and distinctly sung by the Unity quartette, which included J. P. Newman's beautiful hymn; "Lead, Kindly Light, Amid the Encircling Gloom," to the rich setting by Dr. Dyker, completed the harmony of the service, and then followed by her children and several of her grandchildren, she was placed, amid a profusion of beautiful flowers and floral offerings, in the reception chamber at the Union cemetery, there to await the melting of the snows upon her native hills, when she will go to her final rest in the Bethel of her fathers, where the grand old mountains "lift their Titan foreheads to the sky," and the "Pleasant Andros-coggin" goes on its winding way to join the waters of the great sea.

"Eternity! Eternity!"

How long art thou, Eternity!
Yet onward still to thee we speed,
As to the fight the impatient steed;
As ships to port, or shaft from bow,
Or swift as couriers homeward go,
Mark well, O man, Eternity!"

—Brockton Enterprise.

Examination of Teachers.

All teachers desiring to teach in the town of Bethel the coming year, are requested to meet at the brick school building Saturday March 31, at 9 o'clock, for examination. Please bear in mind that such examinations were made compulsory by an act of our recent Legislature and that all desiring to teach in town, except those holding State certificates, must be present and take the examination.

H. H. HASTINGS,
Supt. of Schools.

How to Take Cod Liver Oil.

Nearly everyone knows that when they are thin there is no remedy in the world equal to cod liver oil to make them fleshy. Yet there is nothing against which they rebel more promptly. There were a great many ways recommended for making cod liver oil pleasant. Among these we would mention placing a pinch of salt in the mouth before and after taking the dose of oil. Syrup of bitter orange peel was also recommended. But now all this is unnecessary. Science has found a way of making cod liver oil not only pleasant to take, but easy to digest. Messrs. Scott & Bowne have brought this science to perfection in their Scott's Emulsion, which is cod liver oil free from disagreeable odor, and taste, and already partly digested.

Wanted.

A housekeeper in a family of four ladies. Must be a good cook and capable of taking entire charge of the work. Wages \$1.00. References required. Inquire of S. B. & Z. S. Prince, Norway, Maine.

A new industry which has developed recently to rather important proportions is the making of furniture from grass, which is now being extensively carried on in many of the Northwestern States.

How to Bake Herrings.

Fillet some fresh herrings, sprinkle them with a few drops of lemon juice and brush them over with some melted dripping; then cover them thickly with fine browned bread crumbs which have been mixed with some chopped parsley and seasoned with salt, black pepper and a little nutmeg. Coat a white china baking dish lightly with dripping, place the fillets in it and let them cook in a well heated oven for from 20 to 30 minutes. The herrings should be served in the dish in which they are cooked.

How to Make Horse Radish Paste.

Mix thoroughly together one-half cupful each of grated horse radish and fresh butter, half teaspoonful each of salt and sugar and two teaspoonfuls of lemon juice. Spread upon circles of brown bread, placing them together in pairs.

ALL THINGS BEAUTIFUL.

"He hath made everything beautiful in his time,"—Eccles. 3:11.
In filigree the sunbeam weaves
A golden setting for the leaves,
And interlaces opal mist
With pearls of dew and amethyst;
A splash of azure, tints of green,
With glittering rays and flashing sheen;
Thus, all around, above, below,
The works of God in beauty glow!

When winter comes, with hoarse refrain,
Shell frost and snow on hill and plain;
Each flake unfolds a jeweled wing,
A plume drops o'er everything;
Reclining like a saint at rest,
A robe of white upon her breast;
Earth feels the chill, but in the snow,
In emblem pure, God's works we know!

The ocean's waves roll on sublime
From topmost crest to deepest mine,
When pearls, and stars, and living gem,
Adorn its mighty diadem;
With coral groves and temple grand,
The work of an Almighty hand;
Vast cities, where no foot has trod,
Their architect and builder God!

Devoutly seen, the soul can trace
In nature's round the gifts of grace;
In breasted light and mingled dyes,
In flowery meads and starry skies,
Where matchless skill and beauties shine,
To prove their Maker all divine!
O Lord, illumine our eyes to see
That all this glory comes from Thee!

—Sidney Dyer, in N. Y. Examiner.

A Rash Experiment.

BY EUGENE LEWIS.

"WHAT'S the good of it all? What can you see in me to make you so certain that you can't live without me? That's all nonsense, you know."

And the speaker tilted her chair backwards and surveyed the good-looking young man opposite her, with curiosity.

"Don't ask me to analyze my feelings," he answered, bending a little forward, "I only know that I love you, I can't tell you the why or wherefore. Love is too delicate, too fragile to bear dissecting."

The girl looked away far above his head to where the young crescent moon showed through the dark leaves of the trees.

"I don't profess to have any heart," she replied, slowly, "I have never cared for anyone, nor am I ever likely to be wildly in love. I like you—I don't attempt to deny that—but liking and loving are very different, I believe. Then—no, don't interrupt me—I flirt—I can't help it. I flirted with you, perhaps I am flirting with you now—I suppose, in the eyes of the world, I am; but I am too fond of myself ever to be what people call in love. It must be a most tiring and depressing process, I should think. As I told you before, I have no heart."

"That is true enough," he returned a little bitterly. "Some one said to me the other day: 'Miss Vane has a heart like an apricot; she gives away a leaf of her affection to anyone, but keeps the real heart entirely to herself.'"

"What a rude person," she said, with a smile. "I daresay it is true enough, though."

"Now look here," said the man, rising from his seat and speaking earnestly, "if you don't care for me much, at least you don't care for anyone else, so why not take me? I am content to put up with a lukewarm liking; it is better than nothing, at all events."

Damaris Vane considered a few minutes, her fan to her lips.

"Very well," she said at last, with a sigh. "But you must clearly understand that there is one thing I could never put up with, and that is a jealous husband. Now, I am sure you would be very jealous."

"Try me," he exclaimed. "I swear I will never be jealous."

"Swearing is no good. I want a proof."

"Well, let me prove it to you."

"That is just what I want you to do. Now, listen: I am staying on here for a little over a week, and what I suggest is, that for that time we shall, both of us, be at liberty, and I shall take advantage of it by flirting with the first interesting man I can find. You, of course, must not interfere, for you will have no opportunity to do so. For your part, you may retaliate by making love to anybody, or everybody, if you prefer that; I shan't object, I can assure you."

"Very well," he said, despondently, "I suppose I must agree to that."

"Of course you must," she returned, laughing. "It is a most sensible arrangement. This day week meet me here, about this time, and I will see if I feel inclined to consent to a regular engagement. I think it will be most amusing."

"Oh, yes, remarkably amusing!" he assented, in a lugubrious tone.

"Well, let us come in now. And, mind, we are both of us entirely free; if I should choose to marry another tomorrow you would have no right to object, nor should I, if you should—do you see?"

"Oh, yes, I see. You have a convincing way of putting things, at any rate."

Damaris Vane had described her character pretty accurately, but she concealed from everyone, including herself, that she was growing fonder of Cyril Hunt than any of the other men who had flattered her since she came out.

It was the general impression in the section of society in which she dwelt that Miss Vane was not only a thorough-paced flirt, but utterly heartless as well. The most affecting and touching love scenes only moved her to laughter, and she would take off her various admirers in sentimental attitudes to her most intimate friends afterwards. That she had a penchant for Cyril, she allowed, but she was much too proud to own that she loved him. It was quite true that she had a horror of jealous men, but the ridiculous test that she had set him was but a pretext to gain time, and she acknowledged as much to herself as she trailed her peach-

ed drawing-room. Damaris glanced lazily round, and then dropped into a seat beside a tall, fair man.

"I am going to bore you with my company," she said, with a glance from her soft eyes.

"If I didn't know you better, I should say you were fishing for compliments," he rejoined, with the eager look that came into most men's faces when Miss Vane spoke to them. She glided off into some small talk, occasionally casting a glance at Hunt to see what he was doing.

He looked a little disconsolately round him for a second or two, and then drifted into a chair beside Mollie Bentinck, a pretty-faced little girl of 18, whose masses of light hair and innocent, brown eyes were voted as charming by some people, though the majority of women complained that she had no style.

Miss Vane smiled sweetly. "Cyril is actually taking me at my word," she said to herself. "How amusing. I am glad he has selected such a safe person, though."

"What are you smiling at?" said Capt. Howard, beside her.

"Some men are so simple-minded, and they amuse me."

"Is that intended to be personal?"

"No, I don't think your worst enemy would accuse you of being simple-minded."

"I hope not," he returned, fervently.

"At bedtime Howard remarked with an amused look as he bade Miss Vane good night:

"Hunt seems quite gone in that quarter, doesn't he?"

"Yes. How touching it is," she replied, with a smile.

"I am so glad he's going to amuse himself," she said, when she got into her room, putting down her candlestick with a bang on the table.

No doubt it was her delight at Hunt's finding some amusement to while away the days that made Damaris lean her chin on her hands, and stare fixedly at nothing till a very late hour.

Matters were much the same the next day, when there was a large riding party to some distant ruin. Hunt rode with Mollie Bentinck, who showed a wild desire to cling to her horse's mane, and whose hair promptly came down, owing to her incessant bumping. It must have been kindness and nothing else on Miss Vane's part that made her stop as she was entering past, managing her lively mount to perfection.

"Because if so, you had better go home," she said. "I am sure Mr. Hunt will be pleased to take you back."

"Delighted, I am sure," said that gentleman. "In fact, to put it selfishly, I should prefer going home, it's awfully hot for riding."

Thus pressed, the couple rode off together. It was rather aggravating when they all came in hot and tired after their ride to find Cyril and Mollie strolling about the garden, looking provokingly cool and fresh.

It was with a curious feeling that Damaris found herself waiting under the trees at the end of the week, having dismissed Howard in search of a shawl she never had.

"He is sure to come," she kept on repeating to herself. "I must give him long enough; he is sure to come."

Which showed how very little chance she really thought there was of Cyril turning up. At last, just as she was giving up hope, a man's figure came across the lawn, and she saw, with a feeling of thankfulness, that it was the one she was waiting for.

"I thought you were never coming," she said, starting forward.

"I hardly thought you would expect me to go through the form of coming," he answered, gravely. "You have shown me clearly enough that all is over between us."

"No, indeed," she replied, hastily. "It is a mistake, I—"

"Stop!" he said. "I must tell you that it is all quite over between us. Mollie Bentinck has accepted me a few hours ago. You know we were both of us to be quite free."

"All is indeed over," Damaris replied, quietly. "I hope you will be happy!"

"Thank you; and you, I suppose, will marry Howard?"

"I suppose so," she said, as she moved to the shadow, leaving Hunt to cross the moonlit lawn alone.

Left alone in the darkness Damaris stood motionless.

"How false men are," she said, tearing a rose she was wearing to pieces. "And I did care for him; it is no good pretending I didn't. I cared for him more than I ever have or shall for a man, and this is my reward! How strange men are! Fancy his being taken by a little pink and white pompadour like that. It's like the end of a play. Model young lady marries model young man, and for me there is only Capt. Howard. I don't love him, and I did love Cyril; but, after all, I don't think anything matters much."

Footsteps came across the lawn, and her hostess appeared.

"My dear Damaris, aren't you coming in? No one knew where you were. Such excitement! Capt. Howard has to leave to-morrow morning, and we are all bewailing his departure. Come and bid him farewell. He has to go home to join his fiancée."

"His fiancée! But I didn't know he was engaged!"

"Neither did any of us," was the serene reply. "It seems that they have been engaged some time; but her papa objected to the match, so it was kept quiet. However, Capt. Howard has just had a telegram to say it is all right, and he is going home at once."

Damaris sat in her room that night staring before her, till the pale dawn crept through the windows.

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BUTTER TESTS.

Difference Between Jersey Cream and That of Other Breeds.

Commenting on the tables of the butter tests at the Loudon dairy show of 1899, Mr. Ernest Mathews, in the course of his report in The Journal of the British Dairy Farmers' Association, points out that the showings were very closely in accord with the analyses, the difference between the two methods being probably accounted for by the amount of water necessarily present in butter. In this respect, he says, they afford a contrast to the results of previous trials, where the milk from the breeds with large and regular sized fat globules apparently churned better than that containing small and medium sized globules.

Mr. Mathews adds: "In the report of 1898 I ventured to suggest that, whether sweet—i. e., compressed—cream was used or not, the results of churning these different classes of milk would be the same. I think on reflection that this opinion requires modification. This year I kept all the creams from the breeds other than Jerseys until the Jersey lots had been churned, and, as the atmosphere was warm, a thick fog prevailing outside until 10 a. m., the lots of cream kept till the last evidently had undergone a partial ripening. My experience with Jersey cream has always been the same—viz, that whether sweet or ripened there is no loss if the cream is churned at a sufficiently low temperature. With cream from Shorthorns and other breeds of cattle it has not been so uniform, and invariably some of the lots of buttermilk have shown a certain amount of cream mixed with caseous matter, which, when churned, yielded an inferior butter."

"Without, therefore, in any way giving up the opinions I expressed in my report on the butter test of 1898, I would supplement them by adding that in milk containing large fat globules of uniform size there is not the need of ripening that is apparently necessary when using milk containing small or irregular sized fat globules. In other words, it would appear that the cream from milk containing small and irregular sized fat globules churns better when it is ripened. If this is the true reason, it would be well in all future trials to churn the creams from the Jersey cattle first, and so give more time in which to allow the other creams to ripen."

An Emphatic Opinion.

A correspondent of the London Live Stock Journal of 40 years' experience declares that there is no need during any season of the year to purchase either one thing or another beyond what passes through the animal's stomach to produce the best quality of butter of a natural color. When I say natural, I mean not extremely high, but of such a color as will be looked upon as genuine and secure customers all the year round. At the present time from this dairy it is not a matter of selling the butter, but who is favored by having it—in fact, it obtained the second prize, when there were 22 competitors, at the agricultural show.

The longer a cow is in milk after producing a calf the whiter the butter, and not only that, but the quality is scarcely up to what it would be nearer the birth of the calf; consequently to make good butter all the year round it requires one, two or three to calve each month, according to the extensiveness of the dairy; no butter can be made, neither good nor of a satisfactory color, without it, and in the summer months four or five pounds of cotton cake to each animal per day will still help the color, quantity and quality. After the cattle are brought into the sheds, to keep up the color, beyond hay and mangels, flaked cake, maize meal and pea meal are the articles that I have found to answer best. Swedes, turnips and straw, with oats, have the opposite effect; therefore try to avoid them as much as possible for butter keeping a marketable color.

No doubt the Jersey or Guernsey will produce the highest genuine color without artificial feeding of any animal that ever came under my notice, and many farmers in this district have one of these high colored butter producers among a herd of dairy cattle, rather than be suspected of adding anything that was neither desirable nor agreeable to their customers. Confiscated Grange, Ulverston.

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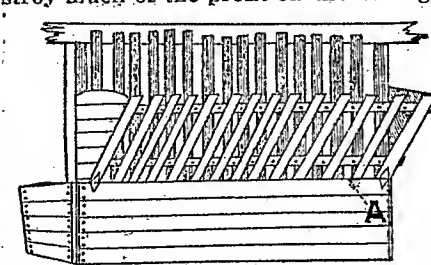
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FARM GARDEN

FARM CONVENIENCES.

Feeding Devices That Are Handy and Prevent Waste.

Economical and sanitary methods of feeding animals, whether they be few or many, are some of the exacting points of good farming. 'Tis a homely saying that "a small leak will sink a great ship," and the small leaks of wasteful and careless feeding may in time destroy much of the profit on the average



MANGER RACK.

farm. Some devices of interest to those who give attention to this matter are illustrated by the Ohio Farmer. One correspondent writes:

Since the value of corn fodder is more closely estimated by our farmers, and hay is becoming more valuable and somewhat scarce and we are feeding more fodder in our barns during the winter season than in former years, various contrivances are brought into use to make the feeding of stalks more convenient. In our hay barns or barns with mangers built to economize space in the stable room, we find that the mangers are too small to feed stalks handily. In the first cut is shown a rack attachment which is much used and liked in our country. It is made of 1 by 2 inch throughout. An opening is left at A, where grain can be easily thrown into the feed box. The other portion of the rack is hinged on the manger, which makes it very convenient to let down and empty refuse stalks on the barn floor, where they may be worked out into the manure yard. The fine refuse can be worked out through the stable for bedding. This arrangement is very convenient also to feed hay, and where small mangers must be used they soon pay for themselves in the saving of feed that is often trampled under foot by the horses.

As to the trouble of hogs getting their feet into the feeding trough, another correspondent sends a sketch of a device for preventing it. He says: The notched board must be high enough that the hogs cannot get their heads over it, and they will keep their feet out. We just drove a stake down at each end of the trough and nailed the trough to the stakes. Then we ran the notched board lengthwise of the trough and nailed to the stakes. This will do when you feed in one place all the time. If you want a movable trough, make the end boards longer, so that the trough will not upset, and nail a solid strip to each end, long enough to nail the notched board to it. Do not let the notches come down lower than the top of the trough. We have had clean troughs ever since we adopted this plan.

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WEST BETHEL.

Fair seem these winter days, and soon shall blow the warm west winds of To set the unbound rills in tune, spring And hither urge the bluebird's wing.

Whittier.

Spring began this week.

Allen McLeod was in Gorham, N.H., Monday.

Harry A. Cross was in South Paris, last Wednesday.

L. E. Allen now has employment as engineer, in the Bethel Chair Factory.

Leland Mason is riding in a fancy sleigh of his own manufacture. Alden F. Mason of Lewiston, was in this village last week.

Frank L. Goodnow of Gorham, N.H., was in town a few hours Friday.

Charles Hill has returned to this village, and is boarding at E. J. Bell's.

Percy O'Brien came home from Hastings last week, and has gone to Swan's Corner to work.

Claude N. Mills of Portland, made his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Mills, a short visit the first of the week.

We are looking forward to the coming of lamb-like weather, as March takes her departure, and shall gladly welcome April with her smiles and tears.

DENMARK.

Owen Head came home from Portland, Saturday.

Geo. and Simon Colby and A. P. Pingree have finished their logging.

A. H. Witham has put in a stock of grain and feed to last over mud time.

Fred Sauborn and Augustine Ingalls started up their mills last week, sawing spool stock and oak.

Mr. Holbrook, grange State lecturer, gave a lecture at Odd Fellows hall, Thursday evening, but for want of notice, few attended.

Chas. D. Jordan's house caught fire, Thursday, but help being near the fire was put out, but not until the building was considerably damaged.

Frank Milliken and wife of Baldwin, were in town Thursday evening and took tea at A. H. Witham's. Mr. Milliken does quite a business in hoops and was after a load Saturday.

Willard Garey and wife went on a visit to Sebago, Thursday, and their daughter, Lillian, who boards at A. H. Witham's and attends High school, went home to keep house while they are gone.

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We have two very new babies in our vicinity.

Mrs. Laforest York has returned to her home, after a few weeks' absence.

We had a pleasant day's visit from Mr. and Mrs. Ira Bean of Bethel.

The Bible Club rejoice to learn that the long expected prizes have arrived.

Hubert York has gone to his farm at East Waterford, to prepare his year's supply of wood.

The Ten Commandments again formed the subject of Mr. Stone's Sabbath discourse.

Mrs. Sophia Littlehale has recovered from her illness, and is now staying with Mrs. C. W. Godwin.

Our friends who think of beginning housekeeping, attended the auctions of Saturday and Tuesday last, and report some good bargains.

The ladies of our village have been flitting to and fro these past pleasant days; a "sure forerunner of a storm," declared our weather prophet.

Adelbert Smith and family, returned to their home, last Saturday. Mrs. Smith has been seriously ill while in camp, which necessitated their return sooner than was intended.

LOCKE MILLS.

Will Cross is working for Ramsom Cole.

Percy Farnham has returned home from a four weeks' visit with friends in Auburn, and is again working in the mill.

Mrs. Will Johnson who is boarding at George Hussey's, was sick last week, and Dr. Carroll was called twice. She is improving now.

Will McCormick, who is staying at W. H. Farnham's, cut his foot last week while chopping wood, he sewed it up himself, and is now walking on it.

Chas. R. Bartlett, landlord of the "Mount Abram House," has bought the stand next to the one R. E. Powers recently bought. We understand he is to move into it, and either sell, or let the hotel.

SOUTH WOODSTOCK.

Teaming has been nearly at a standstill, on account of the severe storms, but business in that line was resumed Mar. 19.

Percy Wilson is doing chores for Mr. Frank Perkins at So. Andover. Percy is a faithful boy and can be relied upon to look after stock.

Preaching service was held at the M. E. church Sunday afternoon at the usual hour, conducted by Rev. Mr. Leard of West Paris.

Mr. Alfred D. Bryant has been experimenting with a new incubator, he having about 200 eggs ready for hatching. The old hen will soon have to give up one of her accomplishments.

Miss Mae Harriman will work for a party in Hartford the coming summer, commencing March 21. We consider the party very fortunate in securing her help as she is highly recommended.

A party from West Paris recently spent the evening at the home of A. M. Andrews, where they were delightfully entertained by Mr. Andrews and wife. Mr. and Mrs. Hannibal Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lane, Mrs. Mary Bradbury, Mrs. Ada Andrews, Mr. Adams and Miss Jennie Brown were among those present. Instrumental and vocal music with bountiful refreshments of nuts, fruit, and confectionery made the evening pass all too soon, and it was with regrets that the party bade their host and his charming wife, good night, assuring them that the occasion would long be remembered as one of the most pleasant events of the social season.

Oysters must be fresh and fat to be good. They are in season from September to May. The small ones, such as are sold by the quart, are good for pies, fritters or stews. The largest of this sort are nice for frying or pickling for family use.

The bicycle has been put to good use in a dairy not a thousand miles from town. The dairymaid mounts her wheel, pedals and by means of a chain turns the churn. Nothing could be simpler.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

NORTH NEWRY.

Mrs. R. W. Kilgore and son, Merton, are visiting in Norway and Waterford.

The private school taught by Miss Merrill, closed Friday, after a term of eight weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. James Day and Miss Sena Littlehale arrived in town, Monday, from Freeport.

The friends of Miss Fannie Kilgore gave her a surprise party Friday evening, it being her twenty-first birthday.

Miss E. Josephine Thurston gave a birthday party at Bames Hall, Saturday evening, her age being nineteen years. One of the pleasing features of the evening was when the cake was cut and it was announced that it contained a ring, a coin, and a button. The person who received the ring would be the first to marry; the one who received the coin would marry money, and the one who received the button, would remain single. The ring was received by Mrs. W. D. Kilgore; the coin, by Mrs. Hervey Fuller, and the button, by Miss Elvora Fuller. The company, which consisted of about forty, broke up at a late hour, having spent a very pleasant evening, and wishing Miss Thurston many happy birthdays.

SUNDAY RIVER.

David Flint is on the sick list. Beulah York has the whooping cough.

Lewis Spinney is cutting pine for Andrew Jackson.

Eli F. Stearns of Bethel, was in this place last Saturday.

Mrs. Herbert Jackson of Gorham, N. H., is visiting here.

Mrs. C. D. Beau has quite recovered from her recent illness.

Lorin Trask has two teams hauling stove timber for J. A. Thurston.

Greenleaf Emery returned from West Paris, last Saturday, accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Wm. Emery.

Mrs. O. P. Littlehale went to Massachusetts, last week, to care for her sister, Miss Maria Williamson, who is quite sick with pneumonia.

NORTH ALBANY.

Mr. Leighton is improving the good sledding now.

Prescott Bennett lost one of his team horses a short time ago.

Geo. Rolfe has resumed his work of cutting timber; he has a crew of four men.

We think Mr. Sylvanus Bennett is one of the smartest old men in this State. He is over eighty years old, yet does the chores and cuts the wood at the door for two stoves and gets the water they use.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Pingree were called to North Bridgton, last week to attend the funeral of Mrs. Pingree's brother, Archie L. Foster, who has been a great sufferer, but passed quietly away, Tuesday noon.

It is very hard to stand idly by and see our dear ones suffer while awaiting the arrival of a doctor. An Albany (N. Y.) dairyman called at a drug store there for a doctor to come and see his child, then very sick with croup. Not finding the doctor in, he left word for him to come at once on his return. He also bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which he hoped would give some relief until the doctor should arrive. In a few hours he returned, saying the doctor need not come, as the child was much better. The druggist, Mr. Otto Scholz, says the family has since recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to their neighbors and friends until he has a constant demand for it from that part of the country.

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DRESS GOODS.

These bright days bring suggestions of spring; naturally the idea of a new dress has to be considered. Will these help you any?

Iron Crown Homespun is a thoroughly reliable fabric for a "Tailor-made" Suit. It is 54 inches wide. The mixtures are gray, blue or brown. All correct.

Regular 1.25 quality for 1.10 For Bicycle Suit or Rainy Day Skirt, a Plaid Black Suiting will be a sensible selection to make. Several grades, 1.50 to 2.75

One of the standbys, spring or fall, is Serge. All wool blue Serge, good 56 inches wide, pronounced a bargain at 75c

Another bargain and a novelty, the all wool mixed Cheviots, 52 inches wide, blue and black, or gray and black, 1.25

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MARSHALL DISTRICT.

Walter Strickland and wife went to Mason Sunday.

Mrs. A. A. Bruce is able to be out again after a long illness.

We enjoyed a pleasant call from Mrs. Lydia Fernald, recently.

Geo. Briggs and Walter Strickland went to Bethel last Saturday.

Wallace Cummings has recovered from the bad cut he received last fall, sufficiently to return to his home after spending the winter at his father's.

WEST LOVELL.

A number of the farmers are buying hay this winter.

Mrs. Joan McAllister is visiting at the Centre.

W. S. Fox was down from North Chatham, last week.

Miss Addie Laroque has been at the village and West Stoneham, visiting.

Eliza Lord and daughter, Lillian, have been staying at Mill Fox's, the past two weeks.

John Fox remains about the same as for the past month. His wife had another ill turn Saturday morning.

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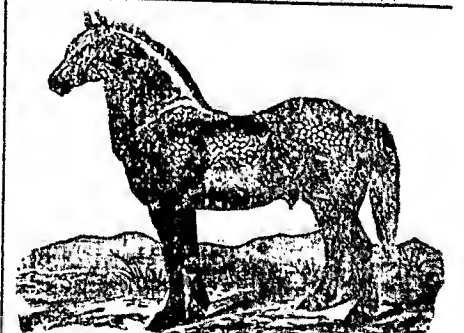
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Lost.

A class ring, bearing the letters X. C. and the class motto "Deeds not words" on the inside. Finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving same at the News office.

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Do you take cold with every change in the weather? Does your throat feel raw? And do sharp pains dart through your chest?

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GUIDE TO PARIS EXPOSITION.

American Tourists Who Are Going Abroad.

The crowning event of the close of the nineteenth century will be the Paris Exposition. What the Chicago fair was to the United States, the exposition in Paris will be to France and the continent at large.

No people, perhaps, are such connoisseurs of the decorative art as the French. Whenever a fête has been celebrated in the gay capital, it has always been made memorable by the grandeur of its display. Adepts in the fine arts, gifted with an exquisite artistic sense, possessing a keen appreciation of harmony of colors, and continuity of design, the French are fully capable of clothing their famous city in regal splendor.

Who has not admired the delicate touch of Bouguereau, the exquisite portrayals of nature of Tissot, or the graceful pose of the statues of Falguiere? The tourist to the exposition may well expect to meet with scenes of beauty, and there is no doubt but that all his expectations will be realized.

An important item to be considered by the American traveler to the exposition is, where shall he be able to find all the things interesting and by what means?

The Brooklyn Daily Eagle, Brooklyn-New York, to help the American tourists in Paris, has through its Free Information Bureau, prepared a novel little guide to that city and exposition. This guide is of the pocket size and is bound in a neat cover. The first few pages of the book are devoted to the recital of what may be found at the Eagle's Bureau in Paris. Tourists are invited to the free use of the Paris office for assistance and suggestions while doing the exposition. There will be found hotel literature, writing material, American, French and English newspapers and competent typewriters. One chapter treats of the exposition and this is followed by a chapter on "Places and Things to Be Seen in Paris." A feature of the book which will be very much appreciated by visitors is the seven days' tour in Paris. Beginning with Sunday a plan for each day's visiting is mapped out. The tourist is informed as to what museums are open on certain days, what churches are most interesting to see, together with the hours when each public building and place of interest may be visited. In this guide is to be found a list of principal museums, palaces and monuments, statues, theaters, churches, homes of celebrities, a table of money, a table of difference in time.

The closing pages of the book give a cable code, especially prepared, to meet the requirements of European travel, together with the cable company's rules and rates. The frontispiece is a picture in colors of the ladies' salon in the Eagle Paris Bureau. On the inside cover is a well produced cut of the United States National Pavilion. A notable feature of the book is its maps. These include one of the exposition grounds and one of Paris, showing the location of the exposition buildings. This little guide can be secured for the asking at the Brooklyn Daily Eagle Free Information Bureau, rooms 28 and 29, Eagle Building, Brooklyn, New York. The book will be mailed to any address upon the receipt of 2 cents in stamps.

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An Interesting Birthday Party.

An event of growing interest and importance to the ladies of the Congregational Churches throughout the Western part of the state, is the annual observance of Miss Mary S. Morrill's birthday, held in Second Parish Church Portland March 24. It will be remembered that Miss Morrill is one of the missionaries supported by the Maine Branch of the woman's Board of Missions, and that her field of labor is in Paotingfu, North China, where for the past eleven years with the exception of the eighteen months spent in this country for recuperation, she has been laboring. This birthday has become a red letter day, and has been made an occasion of a missionary rally,—a king of birthday party, where all Miss Morrill's friends are gladly, yes, urgently bidden to do honor to one who has proven herself worthy of high distinction. This year the birthday falls upon the housekeeper's busiest day, Saturday, and the observance will be held on the preceding day, Friday March 23. The service will be an all day one, and commence at ten in the forenoon by a devotional meeting of a half hour. At ten thirty begin the discussions of practical themes that confront the home workers. At 12:30 a collation will be served in the vestry. At two o'clock the opening afternoon services commence. The closing hour of the meeting will comprise, "The story of Miss Morrill's, and Miss Gould's life," by Mrs. J. W. D. Carter and Miss Southworth, a paper upon "What young people may do for these missionaries," by Miss Marshall, State Juvenile Secretary; "Delightful Glimpses of our Mission Stations," by Dr. Herson who has recently returned from an extended journey in Europe and Asia, and "A trip to all our important Mission Stations" by Mrs. W. H. Fenn.

No doubt there will be reduced rates upon all railroads, and it is hoped that many ladies will avail themselves of this privilege and be present to observe Miss Morrill's birthday.

A. R. De Fluente, editor of the Journal, Doyestown, Ohio, suffered for a number of years from rheumatism in his right shoulder and side. He says: "My right arm at times was entirely useless. I tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and was surprised to receive relief almost immediately. The Pain Balm has been a constant companion of mine ever since and it never fails."

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She Served the Queen. The Hon. Flora McDonald, who died a short time ago, was not one of Queen Victoria's first maids of honor. She was, however, appointed in 1847 and served in that capacity for 27 years, since which time she had been woman of the bedchamber and extra woman of the bedchamber until recently, so that her connection with the queen's household extended over 60 years. The queen sent a beautiful wreath to her funeral.

International Women's Union. Cora Urquhart Potter is enthusiastic about a scheme that is now breasting and will be duly organized and started by certain well known women. It is nothing more or less than a vast union of all English speaking women the world over. It will be an active organization, with the avowed object of doing everything possible to maintain peace—in other words, to prevent war. Much has been said and written about it.

Milk For Calves. Whole milk is the natural food for the calf. It contains the proper amount of protein. When the fat is removed, the stimulant supplies practically the same amount of protein, but something must be added to supply the fat, and ground flaxseed is usually found satisfactory.—Live Stock.

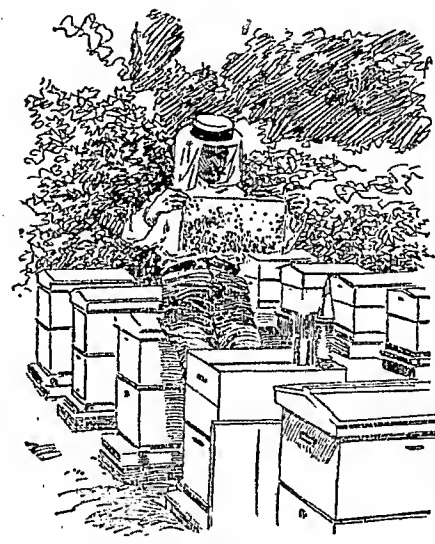
FARM AND GARDEN

HOW TO HANDLE BEES.

A Beekeeper's Ideas of Safe and Satisfactory Ways.

The prospective beekeeper will naturally be interested in "how to handle bees." A theory of the operation is thus set forth by a writer in Rural New Yorker: To become familiar with the habits and life of the honeybee in an intelligent and practical way it is of course necessary to use a movable frame hive of some sort. In order to meet their needs we must know what is going on inside the hive. When bees are in the field gathering honey or when swarming, they will never volunteer an attack, because they are then filled with honey, but when their little home is molested they will then act in self defense and resent the attack. It is therefore necessary to use a smoker of some kind. Before opening a hive send in a few puffs of smoke at the entrance to alarm them, and they will immediately rush for the combs and fill themselves with honey.

After smoking them it is well to wait a minute or two that they may gorge themselves. The cover can then be lifted off and a little more smoke blown



HANDLING BEES.

In on top of the frames, and the bees will adhere nicely to the combs. With screwdriver or tack puller the division board can be removed and the combs pried apart and one by one examined without danger of being stung.

In an apiary where there are many bees flying it is always best to be on the safe side and wear a veil, but gloves are unnecessary and cumbersome. A beehive should not be pulled apart every day for mere curiosity, but should be examined occasionally to ascertain the needs of the bees and condition. If the colony is weak, it can be strengthened by adding a frame or two of sealed brood taken from some other colony strong enough to spare it. It is well to select one kind of hives and frame, so that all the furniture of the hives will be interchangeable, and not have two or three kinds of hives in the apiary, which will surely cause a great deal of vexation and annoyance.

Bees should always be handled very gently. They seem to dislike quick, jerky movements. In early spring or autumn, when the days are cool, it is prudent not to open the hives until near midday, when the field bees will then be out gathering honey. On cloudy or rainy days it is best not to open hives, for the field bees are then at home and are cross, being deprived of the privilege of gathering the precious nectar.

At night is the very worst time to molest bees, as some pilfering persons have found out to their sorrow. It is true that bees do not fly at night, but they crawl and sting. By judicious handling bees can be made very tractable and cross, so that they will sting everybody near and far and will remain angry and vicious for weeks.

Extra Early Potatoes.

If it is desirable to have potatoes seven to ten days ahead of those produced by ordinary field culture, place uncut tubers, blossom end up, in shallow boxes filled with sand. About quarter the length of the potato should protrude from the sand. Put the boxes in subdued light in a temperature of 60 or 60 degrees. From 25 to 30 days after the potatoes are thus started take the tubers from the sand and place in a field in the same position they occupied in the box. Potatoes treated in this way will be considerably earlier than if the seed is taken directly from the bin and planted in the ordinary manner, says an exchange.

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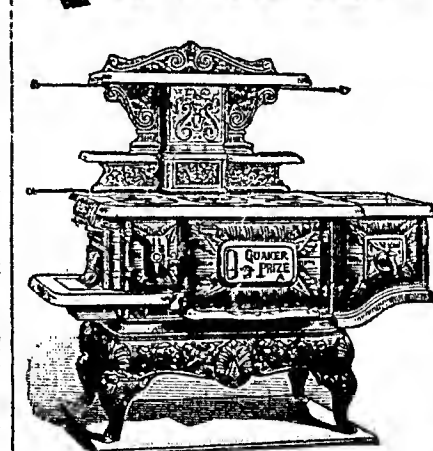
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WOMAN'S WORLD.

How to Wash Dishes.

"What a subject for a magazine
article!" you say. "Anyone can
wash dishes." But, wait a mo-
ment, can they? Does table ware
always make its appearance on the
family board in a spotless and
shining condition, or is it frequent-
ly brought on looking dull and
clouded, and, worse yet, in the case
of china, occasionally sticking to
the plate or saucer directly be-
neath it?

The articles required for a dish-
washing equipment are a clean
sink, plenty of hot water, soap, a
dish drainer and a plenty of room
for handling the work, dishcloths
and mops, a cake of sapolio, a bot-
tle of ammonia, a knife cleaner and
plenty of clean dry towels.
The suds should not be made too
strong, and should be as hot as
can be comfortably borne by the
hands. No surplus soap should
be left in the water; and when the
dishes have been placed in the
suds they should be immediately
washed out, rinsed and wiped.
Leaving them in the soapy water
has a tendency to injure the glaze.
Before commencing operations see
that the cups and glasses are em-
ptied of any surplus fluids, and that
other dishes are well scraped. The
place for all such refuse is in the
waste barrel, and not in the dish
water. Wash the dishes of one
kind together.

Begin with the glassware; wash,
rinse and wipe it quickly, follow-
ing with the finer china. By this
time it is likely that the suds will
be too cool for efficient service. The
better way in that case, is to em-
pty it out, making a new lot; but if
there is a scarcity of hot water, and
the suds have not been too much
soiled, it may be brought to the
right temperature by adding more
hot water and a little soap. Take
the silver next, and after washing
place it upon the drainer, rinsing
it by pouring hot water upon it
from a pitcher. The same process
may be pursued in regard to other
dishes, and is a very excellent
method of rinsing; but with fine
china care is to be taken that the
water is not too hot, or else the
dishes may be cracked. Too much
emphasis can scarcely be put on
the necessity for ample space.

Carrying on the system thus far
indicated, the remainder of the
task will be found comparatively
easy. One class of dishes at a
time is to be taken, deftly washed
and passed on, the suds being
changed or reinforced as often as
it loses heat. All the dishes and
appurtenances of the table which
are used and handled in the least
degree should be washed after each
meal.—McCall's Magazine.

BITS OF THE BEST.

From Chas. M. Sheldon's Edition of
the Topeka Capital.

Home first—the world after-
wards.—The Herald.

Every man has a right in this
country to believe and say what
he pleases, but no one man has a
right to abuse another for not see-
ing things as he does.—Hutchin-
son Clipper.

About the most stinging rebuke
one can receive is the conscious-
ness of having done wrong. If
poor, weak humanity would heed
the lessons of conscience, the
world would be better and wiser.—
Onaga Herald.

It is said that "whiskey is all
right in its place." Its place is
not in the stomach of a young man
who intends to marry, and the
woman who marries him will re-
gret it as long as she lives.—Re-
public City News.

Some old things are hard to im-
prove on. For instance, the state
of Mississippi once had a law re-
quiring a man to give a bond of
\$200 to properly care for a wife be-
fore he could get married.—Dodge
City Globe-Republican.

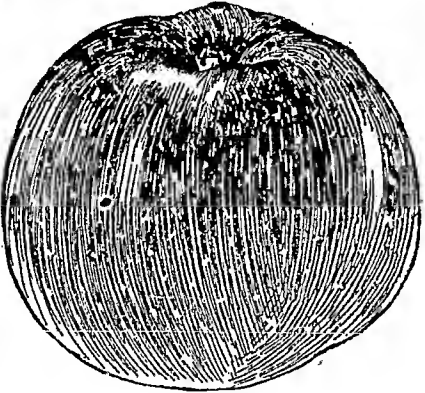
Whenever an editor tries to pub-
lish a paper to suit everybody, he
will make a flat failure of it. If he
is not capable of pleasing himself
and judging what is best for his
readers, he should stop down and
out of the sanctum.—Caldwell
News.

There is always a chance for re-
forming a bad man, but if he is a
hypocrite his case is absolutely
hopeless.—Girard Independent.

THE BISMARCK APPLE.

Fruit a Handsome Giant—Tree a
Heavy and Sure Cropper.

"Among recent novelties that have
surely come to stay is this new hand-
some apple, and whatever may be its
deficiencies in the matter of flavor—
and some people can hardly find terms
of sufficient strength for their feelings
—it has attained a position that impels



APPLE BISMARCK.

notice. After all, quality and flavor
are not everything in an apple. But
there is much commendation of opinion
in regard to Bismarck, in its praise and
commendation being about equal.

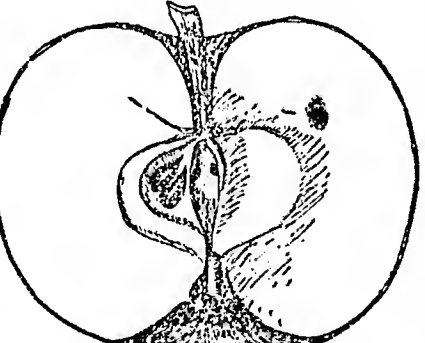
"Its quality certainly does not com-
mend it very highly as a dessert ap-
ple, but a strong point in its favor is its
early bearing, and this point may de-
velop to be one of considerable im-
portance. According to reports from Eng-
land, Bismarck apple is a very profit-
able one for the London market, and it
may therefore be worthy of attention
by some of our fruit growers who raise
for export." So says American Gard-
ening and quotes the following from
an English exchange:

"From the prices realized for it in
the public markets it deserves all that
can be written in its favor. We have
often urged upon growers the neces-
sity of going in for large, fine colored
apples, such as the one under notice.
It is not only very large, but it carries
a beautiful color and when put up in
an effective manner commands a ready
sale and in quantity. It is a late vari-
ety—that improves it, in our opinion.
When a late high grade apple like this
can be obtained, it should be planted
freely, for the demand and prices
which prevail when supplies are ob-
tainable prove this clearly.

"Bismarck is large in every respect.
It is a veritable giant fruit in size, and
its cropping properties are gigantic. It
is, in fact, one of the heaviest fruiting
late apples we have, and as such, all
other points considered, it may safely
be termed one of the finest apples in
cultivation. The tree is a healthy and
strong grower. For market purposes
it is well suited, and if carefully grown
the fruit put up in one and two layer
boxes—preferably the former—will
command a free sale at good prices.
Sold thus it insures a demand from a
well to do class of retail fruiters."

To those who are interested in grow-
ing fruits in pots under glass the illus-
tration presented by American Gard-
ening will appeal strongly as showing
the possibilities of the Bismarck. This
fruit weighed full 14 ounces. The well
known private gardener by whom it
was grown said in regard to this vari-
ety of apple:

"The tree has a tendency to com-
pactness in habit and therefore can



APPLE BISMARCK.

be kept in shape with but little trou-
ble. Should the apple respond to
orchard cultivation as it does to cul-
tivation under glass it is worthy of at-
tention, although I do not consider it
a first class fruit. Still its handsome
appearance will more than counter-
balance any weakness in quality. The
fruit should be kept a considerable
time before being used for dessert. It
is one of the best croppers I know and
produces fruits of a uniformly large
size."

Rhubarb For Market.
The three stalks in a bunch around
the butts with ordinary bunching
twine. The large and small together,
so that the bunches shall, as nearly as
possible, average in size. If stalks are
too small, put in four. The 12 of these
bunches in a bundle at butts and tops.
These bundles are the wholesale pack-
ages and are called a dozen, meaning,
of course, a dozen bunches, but 36
stalks.—Rural New Yorker.

News and Notes.
Of the agricultural exports from the
United States to Europe during 1898-9
nearly 62 per cent went to the United
Kingdom. Germany received 14.7 per
cent, France 7.5 per cent, the Nether-
lands 4.0 per cent, Belgium 4 per cent,
Italy 2.4 per cent, Spain 1.7 per cent
and Denmark 1 per cent.

In an Ontario trial of three varieties
of millet—Japanese panic, Japanese
sawyard and Hungarian grass—panic
headed the list with a yield of 6.4
tons per acre of green hay.

Angora goat raising appears to be
finding much favor in southwest Tex-
as, as well as in Washington and Ore-
gon.

The Stone, Paragon, Ten Ton, Cum-
berland Red and Perfection tomatoes
are all varieties that have been grown
with advantage for canning factories.

Ginseng is getting scarce in a wild
state, and as much as \$4.75 per pound
has been recently paid. It is now being
profitably cultivated.

A Woman's Mistake

It is a well-known fact that Lydia
E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound
has cured more women than any other
remedy. It therefore must be the
best possible medicine for female ills.
But some women make the mistake
of thinking that they will try some-
thing else, simply because it is new.
That mistake is often a fatal one—
fatal to the health and happiness of
the experimenter.

Is it not foolish to risk the possible
results of such experiments? Is it not
better to depend upon a medicine
which has been tried successfully for
thirty years, and which has never
been found wanting? Do not therefore
let any one persuade you to try some-
thing which they say is just as good.
It cannot be just as good. Mrs. Pink-
ham's Compound is the best, and there-
fore can be only one best. This is not a
mere assertion, but is a positive fact,
admitted by hundreds of regular
physicians.

Rely on your own common sense,
and Mrs. Pinkham's life-long experi-
ence, and you will make no mistake.
Don't experiment with your health,
but take a medicine that you know is
good, and is backed by such letters as
these to Mrs. Pinkham:

**Ovarian Troubles Always
Yield to Lydia E. Pink-
ham's Vegetable Com-
pound.**

"I had been in poor health for
twenty years, having inflammation of
ovaries and womb trouble. Although
treated by physicians, I could not gain
strength nor do my work, and was so
low-spirited and tired of life. A friend
advised me to take Lydia E. Pink-
ham's Vegetable Compound. The first
bottle strengthened me, and I wrote
to you. After taking six bottles can say
that I am well and can even do my own
washing."—Mrs. M. W. MILLER, No.
1033 Canal Street, New Orleans, La.

"For three years I suffered with
ovarian trouble, having inflammation
and abscess on right ovary. Had
such pain in my back and head, and at
times was unable to walk. Had sev-
eral doctors, but they did not do me
much good. One doctor said that I
would have to have an operation and
have the ovary removed. I became
discouraged and gave up all hopes of
getting well. I began taking Lydia
E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.
I wrote to Mrs. Pinkham and followed
her directions faithfully, and am bet-
ter than I have been for three years.
I have taken ten bottles, and my
friends are surprised at my rapid im-
provement."—Mrs. W. J. WALTERS,
Cold Spring Harbor, L. I., N. Y.

**Suppressed and Painful
Periods Cured by Lydia
E. Pinkham's Vegetable
Compound.**

"I was thin, sallow and nervous. I
had not had my menses for over a
year and a half. Doctored with several
physicians in town and one specialist,
but did not get any better. I finally
decided to try your medicine, and
wrote to you. After I had taken
three bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's
Vegetable Compound and three of
Blood Purifier, my menses returned,
and I feel as well and strong as I
ever did, and am gaining flesh."—Miss
LUNA GARRIS, Visalia, Tulare Co., Cal.

"Before taking the Vegetable Com-
pound I was troubled with irregular
menstruation, and suffered great
agony. My physician gave me mor-
phine, and I remained in bed. I doc-
tored eight years and got no relief. And
the doctors told me there was no relief
for my trouble. Finally I tried Lydia
E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.
While taking the first bottle I felt
that I was improving. I have taken
seven or eight bottles, and never had
anything to do me so much good.
Every month my troubles have grown
less and less, and now at this time I
am cured."—Miss A. QUINCY, No. 22
Stage Street, Haverhill, Mass.

**Backache and Womb
Troubles Succumb to
Lydia E. Pinkham's Vege-
table Compound.**

"I have been for ten years an in-
valid with female weakness, and the
torment and pain I suffered no tongue
can tell. I never spent one week in
the ten years that I was free from
pain. My trouble was inflammation
and congestion of womb. When I
commenced to take your remedy I had
been bedfast for some time under the
treatment of two of our best physi-
cians without receiving any benefit.
You can imagine the benefit I de-
rived from Lydia E. Pinkham's Vege-
table Compound when I tell you that I
have gained forty pounds and am well
—a thing I never dared to expect."—
Mrs. C. E. FOLAND, Monett, Mo.

"For a number of years I was
troubled with backache and leucor-
rhea. I became so weak and miser-
able that I could not attend to my
work or studies. The least effort
would completely exhaust me. Physi-
cians failed to help me. I felt that my
youth was blighted and the life before
me would be one of suffering and
misery. Then a friend insisted on in-
taking your medicine. Before I had
used one bottle I was greatly relieved.
I had not known a well day for four
years, but now I feel better than I have
since a child. And it is all due to Lydia
E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."—
Miss MAY B. STEVENSON, Alliance, O.

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How Margarine is Made.

Margarine was first prepared by M.
Mege Mouries, says the London Lancet.
In this process 1,000 kilograms of
ground fat from freshly slaughtered
cattle is mixed with 300 kilograms
of water, 1 kilogram of potassium
carbonate and two sheep's or pigs'
stomachs cut into pieces and heated at
45 degrees C. by steam for two hours.
The fat rises and, after being skimmed,
is run off and heated at from 30 to 40
degrees C. with 2 per cent of salt, the
clear fat being then poured off from
the sediment and cooled at from 20 to
25 degrees C. The granular solid pro-
duct is cut into pieces, packed into linen
and exposed to hydraulic pressure at
about 25 degrees C., with the produc-
tion of a solid cake of stearin and a
liquid oleomargarine, which is passed
through cylinders and washed by a
shower of water. Of the melted oleo-
margarine 50 kilograms is mixed
with 25 liters of cow's milk and 25
kilograms of water in which has
been macerated 100 grains of finely
ground mammary gland of the cow.
Annotto is added and the whole churned
for about two hours and the product
kneaded and washed.

In the method employed in the Unit-
ed States, Austria and some parts of
Germany peptin is not added, the origi-
nal finely ground fat being subjected
to a temperature below 50 degrees C.
for some time. The oleomargarine is
mixed with sour milk and a small
quantity of bicarbonate of soda and
annatto and is churned. After about
15 minutes it is cooled in ice and then
kneaded to eliminate the water, then
returned with more sour milk and is
ready for sale. In Holland the oleo-
margarine is melted at about 50 de-
grees C. and is mixed with the requisite
amount of milk and of the best Kam-
peu butter and earthenware (arachis) and
other oils (cotton, palm, coconut, etc.)
to lower the melting point to that of
butter. The Kampeu butter is pre-
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from an unskimmed mixture of milk
and cream and is preferred on account
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flavor to the margarine.

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rying down with them the light of blue
skies and the freshness of free winds
to their place of toil, broadened and
strengthening as they go on, who can
tell how they refresh the world, how
beautifully they blend their being with
the great ocean of results? A brook's
life is like the life of a maiden. The
rivers receive their strength from the
rock, from hills, from the unfailing
purity of the mountain streams.—Lucy
Larcom.

Miss Birdie Baum of Columbia, Mo.,
is freight agent for the Wabash rail-
road and manages all the freight and
transfer business of that road in Co-
lumbia. Aside from Miss Baum's du-
ties, which require her to meet every
train during the day, she is accom-
plished as a cook and at the Columbia
fair last summer took several premi-
ums for the best pastry.

Something new in small silver is a
glove cleaner. In appearance it is
somewhat like a shortened toothbrush,
the brush being a bit of composition
of some sort in which rubber must lar-
gely enter. The cleaner is rubbed on
the soiled glove, acting as an eraser. The
article is suggested as a novelty in the
list of exclusive prizes.

It is said Queen Victoria is in pos-
session of the Mahdi's copy of the Koran.
Her majesty has already in her posses-
sion not only the Bible which Gordon
carried with him in China, but also the
letter written by the late general to
the mahdi when the latter called upon
him to surrender.

Her highness the maharajah of
Dholpur, India, has presented a golden
challenge cup worth \$2,500 to the La-
dies' Kennel club, to be competed for
by the members. The princess has the
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ropy or stringy, there is something
wrong with the Kidneys. Other signs
of disease are a desire to urinate
often, pain in the back, or if your urine
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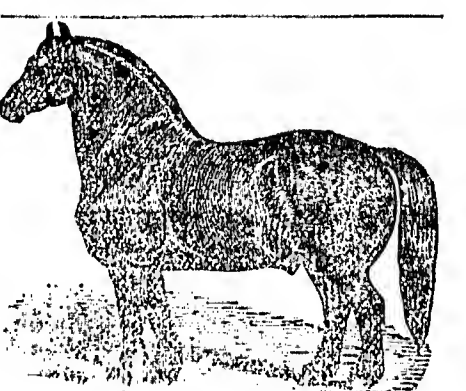
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WEDNESDAY, March 21, 1900.

The British are quite certain that they have won, but they keep on getting ready just the same.

The Puerto Rican bill is tremendously popular in Indiana. So, at least, we judge from the proposal to nominate for Governor, the only representative in Congress from the state who voted against it.

If Germany really wants a tariff war with the United States, as it seems she does, let her come on. We can raise all we eat and that is more than she can do.

May the other nations of the world profit by the example which the United States will put before them at the Paris Exposition, in closing the American Section of the Exposition on Sundays even the opening day, which falls on Easter Sunday.

The oldest newspaper in the world is the "Tsing-Pao" or "Pekin News." This paper was published more than five hundred years before the Norman Conquest, and has been published without interruption for nearly fourteen hundred years.

Some of the yellow journals are very pronounced in their condemnation of Rev. Mr. Sheldon's paper, and it has been suggested that some one should now undertake to run a newspaper as Satan would run one. Ah! friends, such would not be an experiment; it has too long been a solemn reality; there are cloven feet beneath far too many editors' chairs already.

The latest yarn from Kentucky, which, by the way, comes on better authority than most, is that a large number of prominent men were involved in the plot which led to Goebel's death, but that there was no intention of even wounding him. The idea was to create a disturbance which might warrant the Governor in asking for federal troops. But the marksman, whether intentionally or unintentionally, exceeded his instructions.

THE TOPEKA CAPITAL.

NOTE—

The following is an editorial taken from the first edition of Rev. Charles M. Sheldon's paper, and explains his plan and purpose.

Last December the owners of the Topeka Capital asked me to assume entire charge of the paper for one week and edit it as a distinctly Christian daily.

I have accepted the invitation on condition that I receive no financial compensation and that a share of the profits be used for some benevolent work, and named the week beginning Tuesday, March 13, 1900, as the week for the experiment. With the hearty cooperation of every person connected with the paper and with the help of the wisdom that I have prayed might be given me from Him who is wiser than any of us, I shall do the best I can.

If a thousand different Christian men who wished to edit Christian dailies should make an honest attempt to do so, the result might be a thousand different papers in very many particulars. In other words, these Christian editors might arrive at different conclusions in the interpretation of what is Christian. It is, of course, the farthest from my purpose to attempt to show in a dogmatic way what is the one thing that Jesus would do in every case. The only thing I or any other Christian man

can do in the interpretation of what is Christian in the conduct of this paper is to define the term Christian the best that can be done after asking for divine wisdom, and not judge others who might with equal desire and sincerity interpret the probable action of Jesus in a different manner.

With this understanding of the conduct of the paper this week, I will state in part its general purpose and policy.

1. It will be a news paper. The word "news" will be defined as anything in the way of daily events that the public ought to know for its development and power in a life of righteousness. Of necessity the editor of this paper, or of any other with the definition of "news," will determine not only the kind but quantity of any particular events that ought to be printed. The importance of one kind of "news" compared with another kind will also determine the place in the paper where the matter will be printed. If it seems to the editor that certain subjects representing great causes that belong to the profoundest principles of human life are the most important, they will be given the first page of the paper whether they are telegraphic items or not. It might easily become the settled policy of a permanent paper similar to this one, to consider the detailed account of an unusual battle as of less importance to the reader than an account of the usual daily destruction being caused by liquor. The first page of the Capital this week will contain what seems to the editor to be the most vital issues that affect humanity as a whole.

2. The paper will be non-partisan, not only in municipal and state politics, but also in national politics. I do not mean to say that a Christian daily can not be partisan. This is simply my interpretation of Christian as applied to this part of the paper's life.

3. On the liquor question the paper will advocate the prohibition of the liquor business from Maine to California and all around the globe. By prohibition I mean the total extinction of the curse of making, selling, buying and drinking intoxicating liquor; its extinction by legal enactment, by personal total abstinence, and by every form of state, home, church, and school education that Christians can devise.

4. The great social questions of the age will be given prominence. The selfishness of mankind in every form of greed, commercially or politically, will be considered as of more serious consequences to us as a people than many other matters which too often engage the time and attention of mankind.

5. The paper will declare its abhorrence of war as it is being waged to-day not only in Africa but in the Philippines and everywhere else.

6. On matters of "finance" or "tariff" or "expansion," matters of public concern which have to do with measures of this character, the editor has personal opinions which may or may not be voiced in this paper. If he gives expression to them it will be in no dogmatic or positive manner, as if he knew what the whole Christian truth was concerning them. In regard to many of these questions I do not know what is the Christian answer to them. In regard to others, my study of them has not yet resulted in convictions that are strong enough to print. I do not wish to declare through this paper a policy concerning certain political measures which are not clear in my own mind.

7. The main purpose of the paper will be to influence its readers to seek first the Kingdom of God. A nation seeking the Kingdom of God first of all, will in time find right answers to all disputed questions and become a powerful and useful nation.

8. Editorials, and other articles, written by reporters, will be signed by the writers. The exceptions will be small items and such local and telegraphic news as in nature does not require signatures.

9. There will be no Sunday paper, but instead a Saturday evening edition suitable for Sunday reading.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the many friends everywhere who have sent me words of encouragement. It has been impossible for me to answer them personally. I also wish to express

to the host of Christ's correspondents who have sent me assurances of their prayers for this week's work, my deep acknowledgement of the source of whatever strength I have felt in preparing for a task which lies beyond the reach of any merely human effort.

May God bless the use of this paper to the glory of His Kingdom on the earth.

CHARLES M. SHELDON.

PROGRESSLETS.

Cornelius J. Simmons, a lad of twelve years, is the vice president of the Collins Park & Belt railroad of Atlanta, Ga. The boy's father is the president.

The extensive underground electric systems building and projected for London will require about \$100,000,000 for their completion, but when finished London will have rapid transit in earnest.

A semi-fluid petroleum which is imported from Borneo, which is very cheap and not at all liable to combustion spontaneously, will be used for fuel on the steamers of the Hamburg-American Line. It economizes space and cuts down the number of firemen.

Another use for old railroad tracks has been found by the Davenport, Rock Island & Northwestern Railroad. The crib protecting the pier of the bridge across the Mississippi river has been faced with them instead of the iron sheathing which is regularly used for this purpose.

The new 10-inch Brown segmental gun, which is said to be the most powerful piece of ordnance ever built in this country, will be tested at Sandy Hook. Predictions, based on an experiment made last summer with a smaller gun, indicate that the larger gun will hurl a 575-pound projectile at a rate of 3000 feet a second, and that it will pierce the heaviest armor.

William A. Eddy of kite fame sent aloft at Bayonne recently, his midair acetylene-gas searchlight, by which red, white, and blue war signal flags were brilliantly illuminated at an altitude of 800 feet. The searchlight was almost 100 candle-power, and was suspended within a few feet of the flags, being supported by one nine-foot and two seven-foot kites.

A great corporation has been formed, with a capital equal to about \$52,000,000 for the purpose of engaging in the pork butchering business on a scale which threatens to damage American trade in Europe. The animals will be raised in great quantities in Siberia, transported to the border, where they will be slaughtered and shipped to all parts of Europe. The entire scheme will be planned on the lines of the great slaughter-houses in this country.

The submarine arc lamp invented by Yale students, Hall and Burdick, has been subjected to a test in the presence of a representative of the Russian government, who pronounced the lamp a wonder, and said he should recommend it for adoption in the Czar's navy. This light will be used to explore the mysteries of the wreck of the unknown schooner which sank off Faulkner's Island more than a month ago.

A plan has been perfected by the postal authorities for the issuing of postage stamps in the shape of books for the convenience of persons who have occasion to carry stamps in the pocket. The idea is to sell ten two-cent stamps in a book for twenty-five cents, and, apart from the manifest advantage to a certain class of patrons, the scheme has also to commend it that there is a small profit over the regular price of the stamps contained in the book. In the aggregate this represents considerable money. The suggestion originated with Third Assistant Postmaster Madden. The only obstacle in the way of the immediate consummation of the scheme is the reluctance of those at the head of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing Department to assume the task of printing and blinding the stamps without some extra mechanical equipment.

Getting Even With Him.

"Money, money, money all the time," he growled when she said she needed a new bonnet. "Do you know how much it cost to keep you in the country this summer?"

"No," she replied, "I don't know, but I know it didn't cost so much as it did to keep you in the city."—Chicago Post.

How to Get On.

Blunders—How did that fool De Chapple get into the Four Hundred? Winkers—His valet used to serve some one in the Prince of Wales' set. The Four Hundred admitted the valet, and then he introduced De Chapple.—New York Weekly.

Comes Natural to Him.

"Why does Jim Todgers affect that funeral style of walking?" "He can't help it. He's been an usher at so many weddings."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

On the Gridiron.



The Little One—I'm a back.
The Tall One—I'm a half back.
The Little One—H'm! The half seems to be greater than the whole.—Judy.

Shapes of Birds' Eggs.
"Birds' eggs differ in shape as well as they do in color," said a well known ornithologist. "For instance, the eggs of the owl family are almost spherical and are thus easily moved by the parent bird in her desire to secure an equal amount of warmth to each during the time of hatching. As she nests in a hole there is no fear whatever of any of her clutch rolling away and being smashed. On the other hand, the guillemot, which nests, or rather lays, her eggs on flat, bare rocks, in high, exposed latitudes, lays a single egg so elongated and curiously shaped that, when stirred by a violent gust of wind or the bird's sudden flight, it does not roll away, but simply spins around on its axis like a top. In the case of plovers, snipes and other birds that lay four large eggs the eggs narrow so rapidly toward the smaller end that four of them in a nest practically form a square, thus enabling the birds to cover them the more effectively."

NEW SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS

Dress Goods.

We have just received from New York the latest styles in woolen and cotton Dress Goods.

Woolen Dress Goods from 25c to \$2.00 per yard.

Cotton Dress goods from 7c to 50c per yard.

Silks.

For Waists and Trimmings, all prices from 35c to \$2.00 per yard.

Special bargains in wash silks at 50c per yard.

Ladies' Tailor Made

Suits and Jackets.

Capes, Skirts, Shirt Waists are arriving everyday, and about March 10th will have a full line and large variety of prices.

Notion Department.

Is full of new things—Gloves, Pulley Belts, Dog Collar Belts, Ribbons, etc.

CLOTHING DEPT.

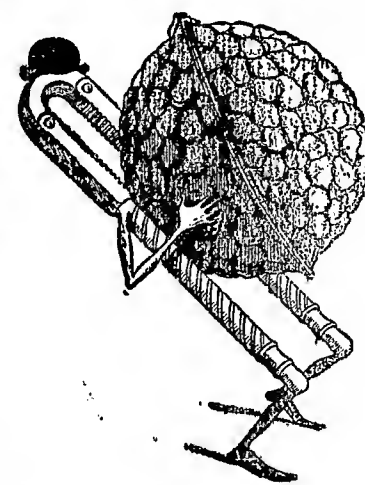
Is simply full of Suits, Overcoats, Shirts and Neckties.

New stock all through, and we can surely please you, not only styles but prices.

Yours respectfully,

L. B. ANDREWS,
SOUTH PARIS, ME.

A Hard Nut to Crack



is the fact that while this store is not in any way like the "spread eagle" style of bargain store that offers good values to-day at low prices and to-morrow charges more. We have made and for years maintained a reputation for selling the very best in

Furniture, Carpets
and Draperies

At the most reasonable prices.

Bradford, Conant & Co.,

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SPRING WALL PAPERS.

Our line of 1900 patterns is probably the largest in the State. It includes every kind of paper, for every room, in every house. We are jobbers of wall papers, but we also sell at retail at

25 per cent. below regular

Retail Prices.

In sending for free samples state rooms for which paper is wanted, and width of border desired.

Oren Hooper's Sons

PORTLAND, ME.

WE HAVE NEVER

said much in regard to our lines of Boys', Misses', Youths' and Children's Shoes, but we want to say to you now that we always have in stock an elegant line of these goods all styles and all kinds. We want you to see them.

Yours truly,

SMILEY SHOE STORE, Norway, Maine.

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The place to buy GLENWOOD RANGES

AND HEATERS, Wood and Coal FURNACES, Hardware, Tinware, Dynamite and Powder, Iron and Steel, DERBY Paint, PRINCE'S Tinted Lead, White Lead, Linseed Oil Guns, Ammunition, Lumbermen's Supplies, Lubricating and Kerosene Oils, etc. etc., is of

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Agents for twenty five leading insurance companies. All kinds of insurance placed on favorable terms.

W. J. Wheeler & Co.,
Billings' Block, SOUTH PARIS, ME.

LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION

OF LONDON, ENGLAND.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1899.

Stocks and Bonds \$1,970,936 55

Cash in office and bank 154,011 00

Bills Receivable 61 70

Interest and Rents 5,589 05

Uncollected Premiums 161,563 09

All other assets 12,764 55

Gross Assets \$2,307,897 77

Admitted Assets \$2,307,897 77

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1899.

Net unpaid losses \$ 141,067 45

Unearned Premiums 760,921 26

All other liabilities 32,619 70

Total \$1,134,608 41

Surplus over all liabilities 1,173,289 36

Total liabilities and surplus 2,307,897 77

W. J. WHEELER & CO., Agents,

South Paris, Me.

Beauty Is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly complexion by taking Cascarets—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the

Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for

the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday

of February, in the year of our Lord one

thousand nine hundred. The following matter

having been presented for the action thereon

hereinafter indicated, it is hereby

ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons

interested, by causing a copy of this order to

be published three weeks successively in the

Bethel News a newspaper published at Bethel

in said County, that they may appear at a

Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the

third Tuesday of March, A.D. 1900, at 2 o'clock

in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

HOWARD V. CHAPMAN, late of Bethel, deceased; first and final account presented

for allowance by Horatio N. Upton, administrator.

HANNAH J. CORLE, late of Upton, deceased; petition for license to sell and convey real estate presented by Elbert C. Park, administrator.

SEATTLE G. CHAPMAN, ward of Bethel; first account presented for allowance by Horatio N. Upton, guardian.

ASA F. STEARNS, late of Rumford, deceased; petition for distribution of balance in hands of the administratrix, presented by Argus F. Stearns, said administratrix.

ADDISON E. HERRICK, Judge of said Court. A true copy—attest:

SWT. ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

FLY 30 YARDS!

Sent 25c in stamps or 50c in money. We will send you

our Aerial Top, guaranteed to fly 20 yards. Any child

can work it. No. 5147. Get it, 25

Baxter Building, Portland, Maine.

THE NEWS

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Insurance Statements.
Edward King.
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S. L. Holt & Co.
Oren Hooper's Sons.
Dr. Kennedy Corporation.
Edward King.
Thomas Smiley.
Lydia E. Pinkham Med. Co.
Dr. Greene's Nervura.

New Wants, To Let, For Sale, Lost, Found and similar advertisements will be found on Page 7.
Business Cards on page 6.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 1900.

EAST BETHEL.

Mrs. F. B. Howe has a number of Easter lilies in bud.

Mrs. Catherine Bean has returned to her home in this place.

F. D. Bartlett from Berlin, N.H., visited this place the 15th.

The children of V. P. Adamson are having the whooping cough.

Z. W. Bartlett went to Berlin, last Saturday and returned Monday.

Master Henry Howe of So. Paris is visiting his cousin, Master John Howe.

Messrs. Weager and Burney of Portland, were at F. B. Howe's last Thursday.

Mrs. Sophia Burnell from Auburn, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Galen Blake.

Misses Maud Russell and Hester Kimball have returned to school at Gould's Academy.

Mr. S. J. Howard, formerly of this place, died at his home in Boston, last week, aged 87 years. His remains were accompanied here for interment, by his daughters, and burial services were held Sunday forenoon, March 18.

NORTH NORWAY.

Oren Brown's children have the measles.

E. A. Cox's family are suffering from grip.

Claude Cox from Hallowell is visiting his parental home.

Frank Shackley has hired with Walter Buck, to work a year.

Mrs. Frank Noble is recovering from her late severe illness.

Mrs. Marshall and family have been visiting at Mechanic Falls.

Asa Needham and daughter are visiting relatives in Gorham, N.H.

Nelson McAllister from the village, spent Sunday with his friend, Ned Cox.

Albert Lee and family from Jay, have bought the Tracy farm, and moved onto it.

James Frost has taken a contract to carry cream in the western part of the town.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Twitchell of Oxford visited at O. W. H. Judkins, the 15th.

The box supper at Ned Packard's netted \$32, which was donated to a worthy family, suffering from sickness.

How Are Your Kidneys?
Dr. Hobbs' Serravallo Pills cure all kidney ills. Sample free. Add: Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or N.Y.

Wanted.

I desire to purchase a gobbler. Anyone having one for sale will please notify me at once. J. S. Hutchins, South Bethel.

Rent Wanted.

A party in the village desires to secure a rent consisting of house and stable. Inquire at the News office.

T. F. FOSS & SONS

CHAMBER SUITES

We have a good line of medium priced Suites.

\$15.00 to \$78.00

Call and Examine or Write Us

COR. CONGRESS & PREBLE STS. PORTLAND

SOUTH PARIS.

Snow is two or three feet deep and poor sleighing.

The High school began Monday, with the usual attendance.

The Pine Social Club will meet to-day with Mrs. John Murphy.

Supt. Morton of the Paris Mfg Co., was in Portland, Saturday, on business.

Clark Mitchell has moved into one of Sam Briggs' rents on Pleasant street.

Mrs. L. E. Pulsifer has gone to Boston and New York to buy her spring millinery.

The Board of Trade intends to build a large block in Market Square this spring.

Mrs. Kendall Swift, who was quite sick at the last writing, remains about the same.

There were nine new members taken into the Congregational church last Sunday.

The Wm. K. Kimball Post and W. S. R. C. join in a supper and campfire, to-night, in G. A. R. hall.

A sociable was held at Grange hall last Wednesday evening at which a drama, entitled "An Old Maid's Wooing," was given by the members of the Grange followed by a supper. Every one enjoyed a good time.

GROVER HILL.

"On the wind in March, Snowflakes are floating still Half inhaled, to turn to rain Nipping, dripping, chilly Then the slavers swell the streams, And swollen rivers swell the sea— When the winter ends How glad we all shall be." Very changeable weather.

Ed. Hutchins went to Lovell last week.

Miss Bertha Browne is at North Waterford.

Mr. John Peaslee is attended by a physician.

Mrs. James Uhlman is not at A. L. Whitman's now.

Augustus Grover was at home to see his mother Sunday.

R. L. Paine, after a four months' absence, has returned home.

True Browne has employment with Dana Grover of West Bethel.

Mrs. Abbie Mayberry is very feeble, requiring a great deal of care.

Geo. Plaisted recently hauled some hay from D. H. Grover's barn.

Mr. Thomas S. Hutchins remains very poorly indeed. His nurse is a Mr. McKee.

Bert Browne of Albany, has been hauling hay from the A. V. Walker place lately.

Mrs. Edna Browne and her sister Florence, were recent guests at Milford Browne's.

Mr. Van Den Kerekhoven has purchased more sheep, and now has quite a large flock we learn.

Miss Marion Bennett has taken her young horse Nemo, home from Greenwood, where he has been driven for a while.

Mr. Orville Clough drove the cream team March 14, the first time since the first of Feb; we are glad to see him out again.

Mrs. Ephraim McKee aged 86 years, died of paralysis, after a long and painful illness, Tuesday morning, March 13, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Thomas Hutchins. Interment at Lovell, Friday.

GRAFTON.

Sewell Pratt was in Bethel recently.

Ernest Farrar has been quite ill with a cold.

O. B. Dodge and J. H. Farrar have gone to Cupsuptic.

George Muse who has been working for C. E. Ryerson this winter, has returned home.

E. L. Brown and son Claude, passed through this place last week, on their way from Rumford Falls to the Diamond.

The town meeting in this place was held Monday, March 12. The following officers were elected:

Moderator, O. W. Brooks.

Clerk, A. T. Brooks.

Selectmen, A. L. Farrar, O. W. Brooks, O. B. Dodge.

Treasurer, G. A. Otis.

Collector and Constable, J. H. Farrar.

School committee, A. T. Brooks, S. P. Davis, A. L. Farrar.

Superintendent, Mrs. Mary Otis.

Road Commissioners, S. P. Davis, A. T. Brooks.

Agent, J. H. Farrar.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away. To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or \$1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address: Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

THIN HAIR

Lots of people have thin hair. Perhaps their parents had thin hair; perhaps their children have thin hair. But this does not make it necessary for them to have thin hair. One thing you may rely upon—



makes the hair healthy and vigorous; makes it grow thick and long. It cures dandruff also.

It always restores color to gray hair, all the dark, rich color of early life. There is no longer need of your looking old before your time.

\$1.00 a bottle. All druggists.

"As a remedy for restoring color to the hair I believe Ayer's Hair Vigor has no equal. I have always given me perfect satisfaction in every way."

Mrs. A. M. STEPHENSON, Aug. 18, 1898, Hammond, N.Y.

Write the Doctor.

He will send you a book on the hair and scalp free, upon request. If you do not obtain all the benefits you expect from the use of the Vigor write the Doctor about it.

Address: DR. J. C. AYER, Lowell, Mass.

If troubled with rheumatism, give Chamberlain's Pain-Balm a trial. It will not cost you a cent if it does no good. One application will relieve the pain. It also cures sprains and bruises in one-third the time required by any other treatment. Cuts, burns, frostbites, quinsy, pain in the side and chest, glandular and other swellings are quickly cured by applying it. Every bottle warranted. Price, 25 and 50 cents. M. A. M. J.

For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel; A. S. Bean, W. Bethel; W. H. Crockett, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; B. S. Small & Son, Bryant Pond.

EAST ANDOVER.

Shoveling snow is still continued.

The whooping cough is in the village.

They are having the measles at Mr. Burgess'.

Yard M. Perkins is at home from the woods, sick.

Mrs. O. S. Hodsdon is ill and confined to her bed.

Miss Margia Burgess has gone to Boston to spend a few weeks with friends.

The Farrington Bros. have finished hauling birch, and are about ready to start up their mill.

Mrs. Frank Merrill and son, from Bethel, are visiting her sister, Mrs. Burgess.

Joseph Chapman and wife are both in their eighty-fourth year, reside in this place, keep their own house in order, and take care of themselves.

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer one Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

Sold by druggists, 75c.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

CHILDREN

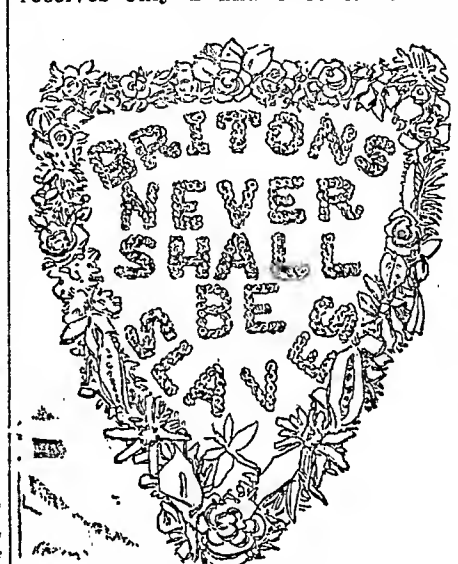
and their Diseases. Write for book containing facts every mother should know. Send for facts of afflicted children have been cured by True's Pin Worm Elixir. Entirely correct and harmless. Net. 40 cents. Price 50c. Address: DR. J. E. TRUE & CO., Auburn, N.Y.

STUDY THE MARKET

HOW TO GET THE GREATEST PROFITS OUT OF DAIRY PRODUCTS.

The sale of dairy products at remunerative rates depends much upon appearance. The British seem to understand this better than we do. At the dairy show recently held at the Agricultural hall, Islington, there was a case of exhibits which invariably attracted the attention of a large and admiring audience. The exhibits in question were some remarkably clever designs constructed of butter and built up entirely by hand. The illustration which accompanies this article is from a photograph of one of the best models made. A great deal of time was spent in working out the design, and it represents a considerable amount of ingenuity and care, every minute detail being extremely lifelike and natural. The design is in the form of a shield, built on a wooden ground, covered with velvet. The border of flowers which surround the shield consists of lilacs of the valley, roses, violets, arum lilies, passion flowers, orchids and carnations.

Marketing plain milk involves some interesting questions. The organized efforts of milkmen in different parts of the country to get better prices for their milk should prove of general advantage to all dairymen in calling their attention more intimately to the market side of the question, says S. W. Chambers in The American Cultivator. When milk is sold to consumers in cities at 8 cents a quart and the producer receives only 2 and 3 cents for his



product, there is something wrong. Not only this, but a great deal of the milk is adulterated before it reaches the consumers, so that much of it actually brings 9 and even 10 cents per quart. The city inspectors test the milk as it arrives in the cities to see that the dairymen have not adulterated it, but the middlemen can water it to suit their customers' tastes without much fear of discovery.

It is more profitable today to sell milk in the cities than to raise it on the farm. The margin of profit on the farm is almost too small to attract many to the business, while the work is exceptionally trying and tedious. To place our dairymen on a farm basis something should be done so that there is more equitable distribution of profits. If consumers are satisfied with paying 8 cents for bottled milk, the dairymen is, but not if more than half the profits go to the transportation companies and the middlemen.

Why should not milk be sold on commission, as most other farm products? Commission merchants find it profitable enough to do this, and a dairy line or company should find it to its advantage to handle milk in the same way. Then if milk soured or was hardly up to the mark the shipper would be responsible. There would be seasons then when the dairymen would make a large profit. At present the summer season always opens with a cutting of rates. The milkmen of cities cut the rates down about one-half, but the consumer pays just as much as ever. The result is that the season when the dairymen should have a chance to make a little something is often a time of loss. All the extra expense that the milk dealers have to incur in summer is the cost of ice, but that is a small item compared with the difference in the cost of their milk.

It is impossible for dealers and milk producers ever to agree upon a price satisfactory to each, but if the milk was received by the milk dealers and sold on commission there would be more general satisfaction. The milk market is a steady and unvarying one, and it is the only one that the farmer has no say about. If there was a steady demand at a uniform price for fruits and vegetables the year round, the commission merchants would want to buy this truck direct from the farmer, but so long as there is an uncertainty they prefer to take the goods on commission. The only sure thing is milk, and that we have to sell to city dealers at prices practically made by them and which are ruinous to producers.

Locating a Creamery.

When the agents of a creamery concern are trying to place the stock of a new outfit, seeking subscriptions from the farmers of a community, says Alva Agee in The National Stockman, it is not a question of the profitability of the creamery at all, but rather a question of the probability of getting a full supply of milk throughout the year for the creamery that is proposed. Many farmers can never be converted into dairymen. It is only when a full supply of milk is absolutely assured for the future that these stock subscriptions become at all reasonably safe for farmers.

..BLUE STORE..

Spring Stock Now Ready

and we are ready to show you the most desirable line of

Clothing, Hats and Furnishings

ever shown in the county.

Our Spring Overcoats are a combination of style, comfort and low prices, \$4.00 to \$12.00.

DON'T buy anything for spring wear until you come and see us.

We do Custom Tailoring to please you.

Balance of our Winter Stock marked way down. Come and see us.

F. H. NOYES, NORWAY

Manhattan Fire Insurance Company, of the City of New York.

Assets DEC. 31, 1899.
Stocks and bonds \$49,250 00
Cash in office and bank 180,714 39
Uncollected premiums 149,559 53

Admitted assets \$916,828 92
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1899.
Net unpaid losses \$42,337 26
Unearned premiums 292,829 85
All other liabilities 7,400 19

Total \$949,617 31
Cash capital 600,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities 74,206 61

Total liabilities and surplus \$916,828 92
FRANK A. COLLEY, General Agent, 24 Central Street, Boston, Mass.

NEW JERSEY PLATE GLASS INSURANCE CO., NEWARK, N. J.
Assets DEC. 31, 1899.

Real Estate \$10,350 00
Mortgage loans 185,350 00
Cash in office and bank 38,959 08
Bills receivable 563 74
Agents' balances 21 48
Unearned premiums 1,546 75
Uncollected premiums 9,879 55

Total \$176,818 43
Less agents' credit balances 181 34
Gross Assets \$176,637 09
Deduct items not admitted 503 22

Admitted Assets \$176,273 92
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1899.
Net unpaid losses 1,997 50
Unearned premiums 41,469 61
All other liabilities 463 83

Total \$43,927 50
Cash capital 100,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities 176,273 92
Total liabilities \$176,273 92
FRED A. POWELL, Agent, Rumford Falls, Me.

The National Assurance Co., of Dublin, Ireland.
Assets, Dec. 31, 1899.

Stocks and bonds \$340,445 00
Cash in office and bank 55,581 23
Agents' balances 72,700 39
Interest and rents 3,440 82

Admitted assets \$472,117 44
LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1899.
Net unpaid losses \$4,801 04
Unearned premiums 126,208 04
All other liabilities 350 00

Total \$161,358 40
Statutory deposit 200,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities 110,759 04

Total liabilities and surplus \$472,117 44
W. J. WHEELER & Co., Agents, South Paris, Me.

NEW YORK PLATE GLASS INSURANCE CO., NEW YORK CITY.
Assets DEC. 31, 1899.

Mortgage Loans \$2,500 00
Stocks and bonds 344,600 00
Cash in office and bank 10,004 21
Uncollected premiums 27,734 30
All other assets 5,154 84

Admitted assets \$380,053 44
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1899.
Net unpaid losses \$4,012 73
Unearned premiums 112,154 57
All other liabilities 6,745 01

Total \$122,012 31
Cash capital 100,000 00
Surplus over all liabilities 167,141 13

Total liabilities and surplus \$380,053 44
FREDLAND HOWE, Agent, Norway, Me.

NETHERLANDS FIRE INS. CO., EST. 1845, The Hague, Holland.
Principal Office in U. S. 29-31 Liberty Street, New York City.

Assets, December 31, 1899.
Stocks and bonds \$505,000 00
Cash in office and bank 53,198 15
Interest and rents 3,166 66
Uncollected premiums 97,911 73

Gross Assets \$661,176 54
Admitted Assets \$461,176 54
LIABILITIES, December 31, 1899.

Net unpaid losses \$61,434 72
Unearned premiums 243,145 25
All other liabilities 41,672 48

Total \$351,252 45
Surplus over all liabilities 309,924 09

Total liabilities and surplus \$661,176 54
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SVEA FIRE & LIFE INSURANCE CO. LTD., Copenhagen, Denmark.
Principal Office in U. S. 29-31 Liberty Street, New York City.

Assets DEC. 31, 1899.
Stocks and bonds \$515,975 00
Cash in office and bank 53,322 64
Bills receivable 15,045 61
Agents' balances 803 23
Uncollected premiums 66,544 84
All other assets 4,314 58

Gross assets \$656,405 90
Admitted assets \$656,405 90
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1899.

Net unpaid losses \$53,155 93
Unearned premiums 268,103 28
All other liabilities 13,998 27

Total \$938,567 48
Surplus over all liabilities 316,143 42

Total liabilities and surplus \$956,405 90
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AACHEN & MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO., Principal office in U. S. 29-31 Liberty Street, New York City.

Assets December 31, 1899.
Stocks and bonds \$780,357 50
Cash in office and bank 40,139 07
Bills receivable 1,150 02
Agents' balances 1,042 92
Interest and rents 920 00
Uncollected premiums 63,497 89

Gross Assets \$886,708 27
Admitted Assets \$886,708 27
LIABILITIES December 31, 1899.

Net unpaid losses \$53,055 03
Unearned premiums 312,321 57
All other liabilities 6,081 44

Total \$1,211,458 04
Surplus over all liabilities 524,349 33

Total liabilities and surplus \$886,708 27
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